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A sad goodbye to Mr Chips

MIKE PETTY AND JAMES MILNER LOOK THROUGH THE CAMBRIDGE NEWS ARCHIVES AT SOME OF THE STORIES FROM THIS DAY IN THE PAST

Dismantling French's Mill - 1974

Parts of French's Mill, a Cambridge landmark, have been dismantled to make the ancient structure safe.

The mill, half brick and half wood, was, in its heyday in about 1912, and has been passed down through the French family.

Corn grinding stopped there 17 years ago.

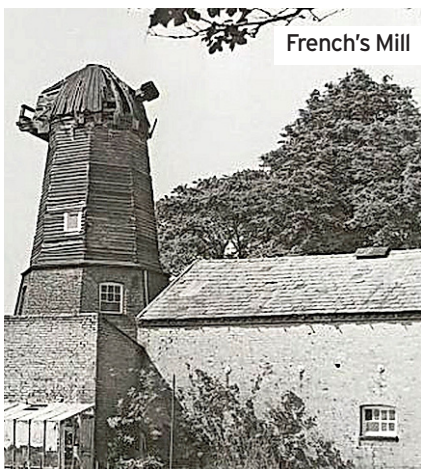
Rot has set into the main beams holding up the shaft and wheel which have been removed as they were afraid the beams would give way and the falling shaft and wheel bring the rest of the mill with them.

Donkey's Huts - 1955

The condition of the huts on Donkey Common has steadily deteriorated and they should only be let to families requiring emergency accommodation who can be rehoused by September 1957.

Some are so bad they will have to be closed before that and, when the worst of them become vacant, they should not be re-let.

The council should purchase 50 premises due for demolition and carry out minimum repairs to allow them to be occupied temporarily.



French's Mill

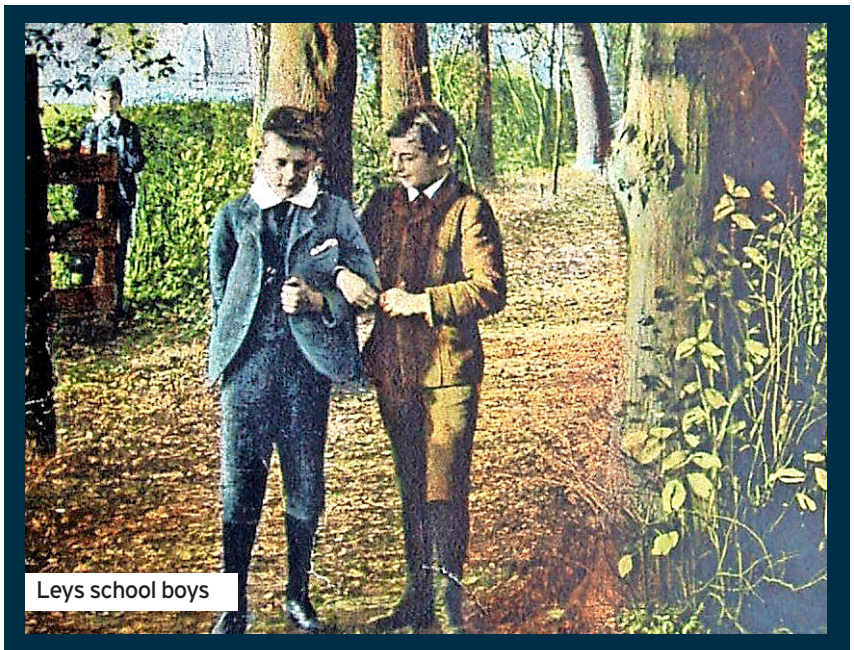
Jesus Lane garage - 1938

Marshalls' spacious new motor premises on Jesus Lane include an entrance and exit to the petrol and oil filling stations, wide enough for three lines of traffic.

There are showrooms on three upper floors which are approached by ramps, with the store's department in the basement.

The garage and workshops behind is equipped with the most modern and up-to-date machinery and run by a large and efficient staff.

The whole is laid out to afford every luxury and comfort for the motorist.



Leys school boys

The making of Mr Chips - 1951

A MEMORIAL service for the late Mr W.H. Balgarnie, former classics master at the Leys School, Cambridge, was held in the school chapel.

He once taught a pupil who went to to become author James Hilton, who years afterwards drew upon his memories of Mr Balgarnie for his famous character, Mr Chips.

He joined the staff in 1900 as a senior classics master, a position he held until he retired - for the first time - in July 1929.

Almost immediately, he was recalled to act as deputy headmaster for a year.

Again, he retired but when, in 1940, the school moved to Pitlochry, he came out of retirement and, for five years, was form master of the classical sixth.

In July 1950, he left Cambridge for a summer holiday and never returned. He died on July 15.

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